

HB 647 -- ADOPTIONS

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This bill specifies that an adopted individual, his or her attorney, or descendants, if the adopted individual is deceased, may obtain a copy of the adopted individual's original certificate of birth from the state registrar if he or she is at least 18 years of age; was born in this state; and files a written application with and provides appropriate proof of identification to the state registrar.

The state registrar may require a waiting period and impose a fee for issuance of the uncertified copy of the birth certificate, and the fees and waiting period imposed must be identical to the fees and waiting period generally imposed on a non-adopted individual seeking their own certificate of birth.

Upon receipt of a written application, proof of identification and fulfillment of the other specified requirements, the state registrar must issue an uncertified copy of the unaltered original certificate of birth to the applicant. The copy of the certificate of birth must have the following statement printed on it: "for genealogical purposes only - not to be used for establishing identity."